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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

15:00 Informal interactive hearing [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal interactive hearing with indigenous peoples

15:00 Opening segment

15:20 Interactive discussion

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 15 February 2018 and 9 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

Organizational session

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division, indicating in particular whether speaking on behalf of a Group of States.

The list of side events is available on the website of the Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction.

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Documents: A/CONF.232/2018/L.1/Rev.1 and A/CONF.232/2018/L.2

Links: Website and PaperSmart

Contact: Ms. Charlotte Salpin (salpin@un.org); papersmart5@un.org.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Disarmament Commission

10:00 to 13:00	Working Group I (closed)	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Working Group I (closed)	Conference Room 3

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of participants are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE Portal.

Link: Disarmament Commission website

Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia (lomaia@un.org) and Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org)

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)
Fifty-sixth session

Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

10:00 to 13:00	17th meeting [webcast]	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Non-governmental organizations – Item 17

Social and human rights questions – Item 19

Social development – Item 19 (b)

Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action – Item 19 (h)

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Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

General discussion

Additional information is available on the website of the Economic and Social Council

For further information, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is 7 minutes for speakers on behalf of groups and 5 minutes for individual delegations.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Documents: E/2018/2, E/2018/100, E/2018/32(Part1), E/2018/26, A/73/61-E/2018/4, E/2018/L.8, E/2018/L.9 and E/2018/L.10

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website, https://www.un.org/ecosoc/en/node/5143421, and https://www.un.org/ecosoc/sites/www.un.org.ecosoc/files/files/en/cmm/2018-april-cmm-programme.pdf

Contacts: Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (agona@un.org), ECOSOC Affairs Branch, DGACM (olvida@un.org)

15:00 to 18:00 18th meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Coordination, programme and other questions - Item 12

Reports of coordination bodies - Item 12 (a)

Details:

Coordination and management meeting

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

E/2018/48

Introduction of the report

Dialogue with the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination

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Documents: E/2018/2, E/2018/100 and E/2018/48

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Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Seventeenth session

10:00 to 13:00 3rd plenary meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

Discussion on the theme Indigenous peoples' collective rights to lands, territories and resources - Item 8

Details:

Members and observers who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

The list of speakers is open.

Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should do so through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk.

Documents: E/C.19/2018/5 and E/C.19/2018/7

Links: Website, PaperSmart and e-deleGATE Portal

Contacts: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, Secretary of the UNPFII (sharma7@un.org); Mr. Victor Leu, Office of the Secretary of the UNPFII (leu@un.org); Mr. Gerard Cianciulli, for inquiries regarding the e-List of Speakers and e-List of Participants (cianciulli@un.org); Mr. Broddi Sigurdarson, UNPFII Secretariat, DESA (sigurdarson@un.org, 917-367-2106); or Ms. Mirian Masaquiza, UNPFII Secretariat, DESA (masaquiza@un.org, 917-367-9607); DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org) and PaperSmart (papersmart.l@un.org)

15:00 to 18:00 — 4th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Discussion on the theme Indigenous peoples' collective rights to lands, territories and resources - Item 8

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development - Item 9

Details:

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The list of speakers is open.

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

10:00 — Informal meeting of the plenary — Trusteeship Council Chamber

To hear a briefing by the Head of the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for

the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 (the IIIM) on the first report of the IIIM

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 March 2018 and 5 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Thursday, 19 April 2018

10:00 Informal consultations (closed) Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators to lead the review of the arrangements contained in resolution 68/1 entitled "Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council" and its annex

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 March 2018, 16 March 2018 and 3 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 Interactive dialogue [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Interactive Dialogue of the General Assembly on Harmony with Nature during the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day

10:00 Opening segment

10:30 High-level segment

11:00 Panel discussion 1

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 April 2018 and 6 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

15:00 Interactive dialogue [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Interactive Dialogue of the General Assembly on Harmony with Nature during the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day

15:00 Panel discussion 2

17:45 Wrap-up session

17:55 Closing segment

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 April 2018 and 6 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

09:00 High-level meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

15:00 High-level meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

10:00	High-level meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall
15:00	High-level meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/262.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should do so through the e-deleGATE Portal available at http://delegate.un.int.

Additional information is available on the website of the Office of the President of the General Assembly.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers, dated as follows: 21 November 2017, 15 December 2017, 7 March 2018, 2 April 2018 and 13 April 2018.

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

15:00	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Conference Room 4
15:00	Interactive dialogue 1	
16:35	Interactive dialogue 2	

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

10:00	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Conference Room 4
10:00	Interactive dialogue 3	
11:35	Interactive dialogue 4	

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/262.

Delegations wishing to register their interest to speak are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch, Ms. Mary Muturi (muturi@un.org).

Additional information is available on the website of the Office of the President of the General Assembly.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 March 2018 and 2 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction
Organizational session

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division, indicating in particular whether speaking on behalf of a Group of States.

The list of side events is available on the website of the Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction.

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Documents: A/CONF.232/2018/L.1/Rev.1 and A/CONF.232/2018/L.2

Links: Website and PaperSmart

Contact: Ms. Charlotte Salpin (salpin@un.org).

Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2018

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 5

Election of officers - Item 2

Adoption of the agenda for the organizational session for 2018 - Item 3

Adoption of the agenda and dates for the substantive session of 2018 - Item 6

To elect the Bureau for 2018 and adopt the annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2018.

For the list of documents, please see "Links".

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to its secretariat.

Documents: A/AC.172/2018/L.1, A/54/32 (Supp) and A/56/32 (Supp)

Link: Website

Contacts: Ms. Xin Tong-Maywald (tongx@un.org); Ms. Maria Grazia Bovo (maria.bovo@un.org)

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 51 of the UNCITRAL Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 23 April 2018 to Friday, 27 April 2018

Working Group VI (Security Interests)

Monday, 30 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 51 of the UNCITRAL Working Group VI (Security Interests) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 30 April 2018 to Friday, 4 May 2018

Working Group V (Insolvency Law)

Monday, 7 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 51 of the UNCITRAL Working Group V (Insolvency Law) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 7 May 2018 to Friday, 11 May 2018.

International Law Commission

Friday, 20 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Briefing to Member States Conference Room 6

Secretariat briefing on the forthcoming session

Link: Website

Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee *a* un.org; 212-963-5331)

Monday, 30 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Opening meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission, or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal affairs.

Document: A/RES/72/116

Link: Website

Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee *a* un.org; 212-963-5331)

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

The seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Contributions will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2018.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2018*.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee for further information (405 East 42nd Street, S-2115; tel. 212-963-4975; fax 212-963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Forum on financing for development follow-up Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE. Inscriptions on the list of speakers will close by 13:00, on 20 April 2018.

The time limit set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

All delegations are reminded to submit their nominations for participation in the round tables, as soon as possible, to the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website and http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffdforum/2018-ffd-forum.html

Contacts: Office of the ECOSOC Secretary, DGACM: alejandrino@un.org; FFDO DESA: Ms. Anjali Rangaswami (ministerial participation); Mr. Tim Hilger (round tables participation): rangaswami@un.org and hilger@un.org

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-eighth session
Organizational session

Thursday, 19 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Organizational session (closed) Conference Room 5

The organizational session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on 19 April 2018, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5, for the purpose of the election of its Bureau and consideration of its organization of work.

The Committee will have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session, the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegation to the secretariat of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.

Member States that would like to participate as observers are requested to communicate, well in advance of the session by note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, their intention to participate as observers, together with the composition of their delegation.

Documents: E/AC.51/2018/1, E/AC.51/2018/L.1 and E/AC.51/2018/L.2

Link: Website

Contact: Ms. Sharon Van Buerle, Secretary of the Committee (cpc@un.org)

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

Session 17 of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 23 to Friday, 27 April 2018.

Member States, non-Member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions wishing to attend as observers are encouraged to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session by registering online. Representatives from all regions of the world are welcome to attend the session.

Documents: E/C.16/2018/1, E/C.16/2018/2, E/C.16/2018/3, E/C.16/2018/4, E/C.16/2018/5, E/C.16/2018/6 and E/C.16/2018/7

Links: Registration, NGOs, Website and PaperSmart

Contacts: Mr. Patrick Spearing, Secretary of the Committee (spearing@un.org) and Ms. Adriana Ribeiro, for inquiries regarding registration, conference support and logistics (ribeiroa@un.org)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

UNDP work plan of engagement with the Executive Board

Briefing on the Integrated Results and Resources Framework (IRRF) Methodology and Approach (EB Decision 2017/30 OP7)

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 13 April 2018

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Commission on Population and Development

Fifty-first session

[archived video]

8th plenary meeting *General debate* - Item 3

(a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels

(b) Special theme of the fifty-first session of the Commission – "Sustainable cities, human mobility and international migration"

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission adopted draft decision "Special theme for the fifty-third session of the Commission on Population and Development in 2020".

A statement was made by the representative of Mexico.

The Commission adopted draft decision "Report on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development".

A statement was made by the representative of Algeria.

Consideration of the draft resolution entitled "Sustainable cities, human mobility and international migration"

The Chair made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

A statement was made by the representative of Uganda (on behalf of the Group of African States).

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The Chair made a statement.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission - Item 5

The Commission approved the provisional agenda, as contained in document E/CN.9/2018/L.2.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 5.

Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-first session (E/CN.9/2018/L.3) Item 6

The Vice-Chair and Rapporteur of the Commission, Mr. Jawad Ali (Pakistan), introduced the draft report as contained in E/CN.9/2018/L.3.

The Commission adopted the draft report and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize it, with the support of the Secretariat.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 6.

Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia (also on behalf of a number of Member States), the United States, Australia, Algeria, South Africa, the Philippines, Brazil and Cabo Verde.

A statement was also made by the observer of the Holy See.

A statement was made by the Secretary of the Commission.

The Co-facilitator of the informal consultations, Ms. Zandile Bhengu (South Africa), made a statement.

Closure of the session

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development of the United Nations made a statement.

The Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made a statement.

The Chair made a concluding statement and declared closed the fifty-first session of the Commission.

Commission on Population and Development
Fifty-second session

[archived video]

1st plenary meeting

Election of officers

The Chair of the fifty-first session, His Excellency Ion Jinga (Romania), opened the fifty-second session.

The Commission elected Ms. Yuliana Angelova (Bulgaria) as Vice-Chair, on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States.

The Commission deferred the election of the Vice-Chairs whose candidatures were to be submitted by the Chairs of the Groups of African States, Asia-Pacific States, Latin American and Caribbean States and Western European and other States, with the understanding that upon their nomination, they would be invited to participate fully in the meetings of the bureau prior to their election.

Saturday, 14 April 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8233rd meeting

Threats to international peace and security

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency Antonio Guterres.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States, the United Kingdom, France, China, Kazakhstan, Poland, Sweden, the Netherlands, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kuwait, Ethiopia, Equatorial Guinea and Côte d'Ivoire; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The representatives of the United Kingdom and the Plurinational State of Bolivia made further statements.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2018/355, submitted by the Russian Federation.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2018/355) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2018/355) received 3 votes in favour, 8 votes against (Côte d'Ivoire, France, Kuwait, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America) and 4 abstentions (Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan and Peru) and was not adopted having failed to obtain the required number of votes.

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Sweden, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, Equatorial Guinea, France, the Netherlands, Kuwait, China, the Russian Federation and the United Kingdom; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a further statement.

Monday, 16 April 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8234th meeting

Women and peace and security

Preventing sexual violence in conflict through empowerment, gender equality and access to justice

Report of the Secretary-General on conflict-related sexual violence (S/2018/250)

Letter dated 2 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/311)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure the President invited the representatives of Argentina, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Germany, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Maldives, Mali, Mexico, Montenegro, Morocco, Myanmar, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Portugal, Qatar, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, the Sudan, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Arab Emirates to participate in the meeting.

The President invited Ms. Pramila Patten, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict; and Ms. Razia Sultana, Senior Researcher of *Kaladan Press*, to participate in the meeting, in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President also invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Gerton van den Akker, Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations; Ms. Fatima Kyari Mohammed, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations; and Ms. Clare Hutchinson, NATO Secretary-General's Special Representative for Women, Peace and Security.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the Council's previous practice.

The Council began its consideration of the item on its agenda and heard a briefing by the Deputy Secretary-General, Her Excellency Amina Mohammed.

The Council heard briefings by Ms. Patten and Ms. Sultana.

Statements were made Her Excellency Alice Bah Kuhnke, Minister for Culture and Democracy of Sweden; and by the representatives of the United States, Ethiopia, France, Kuwait, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Poland, the Russian Federation, Côte d'Ivoire, Kazakhstan, the United Kingdom, China, the Netherlands and Equatorial Guinea; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Omar Alghabra, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (speaking on behalf of the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security, an informal network of 54 interested Member States chaired by Canada, representing all five regional groups of the United Nations), and by the representatives of Liechtenstein and Brazil.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Gerton van den Akker, (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its Member States; candidate countries: Turkey, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Colombia, Spain, Turkey, Pakistan, Norway (speaking on behalf of the Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Japan, Mexico, Estonia, Slovakia, Italy, Switzerland, Indonesia, Austria, Belgium, Egypt, Lithuania, Iraq, Nigeria, Jordan and Portugal.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Fatima Kyari Mohammed, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Germany, Qatar, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, Myanmar, Slovenia and Israel.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Sudan, Bangladesh, South Africa, Ireland and Paraguay.

The Council heard a statement by Ms. Clare Hutchinson, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Women, Peace and Security, North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Botswana, Croatia, Costa Rica, the Czech Republic, Montenegro, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bahrain, Morocco, Mali (speaking on behalf of the Human Security Network, an intercontinental network comprising of Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland, Thailand and South Africa), Maldives and Argentina.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

[archived video]

16th meeting

The summary of the 16th meeting of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/75).

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Seventeenth session

[archived video]

1st opening meeting

Opening of the session

At the opening of the session, a traditional indigenous musical act was performed by Saina from the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia, the Russian Federation).

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, Department for Economic and Social Affairs, opened the session.

Tadodaho Sid Hill, Chief of the Onondaga Nation, delivered a welcome message.

Election of the Chair

Statements were made by Mr. Brian Keane and Mr. Elifuraha Laltaika, members of the Permanent Forum.

The Permanent Forum elected Ms. Mariam Wallet Mohamed Aboubakrine as Chair of the seventeenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues by acclamation.

Opening statements

Opening statements were delivered by the President of the 72nd session of the General Assembly and the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines).

The President of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, His Excellency Evo Morales Ayma, addressed the Permanent Forum.

Election of officers - Item 1

Statements were made by Mr. Gervais Nzoa and Mr. Jesus Guadalupe Fuentes Blanco, members of the Permanent Forum.

The Forum elected Ms. Ann Nuorgam, Mr. Dmitrii Kharakka-Zaitsev, Ms. Tarcila Rivera Zea and Ms. Xiaoan Zhang as Vice-Chairs; and Mr. Brian Keane as Rapporteur of the seventeenth session by acclamation.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work - Item 2

The Forum adopted its agenda, as contained in document E/C.19/2018/1 and approved its organization of work, as contained in document E/C.19/2018/L.1.

Introductory statements

Statements were made by the Chair of the Permanent Forum and the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, Department for Economic and Social Affairs.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

The Secretary made an announcement.

2nd plenary meeting

The summary of the 2nd plenary meeting of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/75).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English* and *French only*.

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 17 April 2018

Group of 77 (on Oceans matters)

09:00 to 10:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of France)

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room F

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled "High-level briefing to Member States and Launch of Policy Briefs on SDG 7 and its interlinkages with other SDGs, in support of SDG 7 review at the High-Level Political Forum 2018" (A/RES/70/299 and A/RES/67/290) (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the Permanent Missions of Denmark, Norway and Pakistan)

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Contact: Ms. Nadine Salame (DESA) (salamen@un.org, 917-367-5330)

Preventing Tomorrow's Conflicts: A Speaker Series within the context of the United Nations discussions on Sustaining Peace (with the President of the General Assembly, the Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support, and the Acting Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs) (A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282 (2016)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Australia and the United Nations University)

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

15:00 to 17:00 — [webcast] — Conference Room 11

Contact: Ms. Virginia Tanchez (virginia.tanchez@dfat.gov.au)

Arab Group (at the experts level) (Migration)

Thursday, 19 April 2018

15:00 to 17:00 — Conference Room A

Event entitled "Youth Power the Planet: an SDG Activate Talk to Celebrate Earth Day" on the occasion of International Mother Earth Day (22 April) (A/RES/63/278) (co-organized by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the Permanent Mission of India)

Thursday, 19 April 2018

16:00 to 18:00 — Conference Room 2

Contact: Ms. Callie King-Guffey (ckingguffey@unicef.org, 212-326-7367)

High-level roundtable on Security Sector Reform (SSR) and Sustaining Peace (A/RES/70/304) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Slovakia and South Africa (on behalf of the Group of Friends of Security Sector Reform))

Monday, 23 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 3

Contact: Mr. Stefan Stanko (stazista.smnewyork1@mzv.sk)

Event entitled "The Role of Education in Peace Building and Sustaining Peace" (S/RES/2282) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica and the University for Peace)

Thursday 26 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

Contact: Ms. Rita El Zaghloul (rzaghloul@misioncronu.org)

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